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EYE ON THE ELECTORATE

As summer and the festive season approaches I urge residents to make preparations to their homes before the official storm season arrives. Weather has been unseasonal lately and storm cells seem to be more destructive. Criminals are more active in the warmer weather so make sure to update safety measures especially if planning to go away over the holidays.

It is timely as 2018 comes to an end to thank all of our community groups and volunteers and wish you all a truly Happy Christmas and prosperous New Year.

Container Refund Scheme

On November 1st the Container Refund Scheme commenced with several Container Refund Points in our electorate, however delays and confusion prevail as none were operating. I encourage community and sporting groups as well as residents to claim some cash from their waste.

For more information:

www.containersforchange.com.au or phone 134242

| Eligible Containers: | Exempt Containers: |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Beverage containers between 150ml & 3 litres made of: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plain milk <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wine or pure spirit glass |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ aluminum ✓ plastic ✓ glass ✓ steel ✓ liquid paperboard | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> concentrated/undiluted cordial or syrup <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> registered health tonics <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> one litre or more of; flavoured milk, pure fruit or vegetable, cask water |



Stay safe this Storm Season



Be prepared and stay safe during the storm season.

- Tidy up unsecured objects around your home and yard
- Trim loose branches, but call a professional tree trimmer if they're near powerlines
- Have extra cash on hand – ATMs and banks may not be operating
- Freeze water for alternative refrigeration
- Make sure your pets registration and tags are current
- Identify a safe place to evacuate
- Install a surge protector for electronic equipment

LAW AND ORDER

Elanora Police Beat

RUBY, a free physical fitness Program for Victims of Domestic Violence, will be run on the Southern GC thanks to Sergeant Linda Baade from Gold Coast PCYC, Salvation Army Elanora and a donation from Palm Beach Lions Club. Any enquiries to Gold Coast PCYC on 5538 5201. Plans are underway to deliver the PCYC Deep Blue Line program for 12-16 year old at-risk boys. One Way anti-theft screws are available from the Police Beat and another event is planned before year's end.

Coolangatta

With summer fast approaching and visitor numbers increasing, police remind residents and motorists to remove valuable items from their cars when unattended. The majority of reported offences are 'opportunistic' with a high proportion of vehicles left unlocked at the time they were broken into, so make sure to fully secure cars and place valuables out of sight. Park in areas that are well lit, near CCTV or in public view.

Palm Beach

Police continue to see slight increases in stealing of and stealing from motor vehicles offences and believe a large proportion of these offences are preventable. Their message is simple – Lock It or Lose It. Break and enter offences into houses and businesses is trending down and the number of crimes solved is above state averages. Large-scale traffic operations in Palm Beach and Tallebudgera areas have resulted in significant drink and drug driving arrests. Leading into the

Christmas period this enforcement campaign will continue.

Palm Beach and Elanora Police Beat are planning pop-up community engagement opportunities at The Pines. Date, place and times will be posted on mypolice.qld.gov.au website and in the Sun newspaper.

It only takes
a minute
LOCK IT
OR LOSE IT



New Assistant Commissioner



Recently I welcomed newly appointed Assistant Police Commissioner Brian Wilkins and Superintendent Bruce Kuhn to discuss local issues such as crime rates and drug usage. Labor's cuts to the police budget and police numbers is putting community safety at risk.

National Police Remembrance Day



September 29 is the most significant day on the police calendar. It is a day to reflect upon the sacrifices made by our brave and dedicated officers across Australia.

NSW Superintendent Wayne Starling and QLD Superintendent Craig Hanlon were amongst those in attendance.

Congratulations to our Top Cops!



Senior Constable David Sammons was recently awarded Gold Coast District Neighbourhood Watch Liaison Officer of the Year. David has been working diligently with the 5 Neighbourhood Watch Groups in our area and it has been great to see he has been recognised for his efforts.

Senior Constable Kurt Foessel was awarded the Gold Coast District Adopt a Cop of the Year for the 3rd time for his work with our schools. Kurt was also awarded SEQ Regional Adopt a Cop of the Year. We are lucky to have these dedicated and popular officers here in our electorate.

LOCAL UPDATES

M1 & Light Rail



We are still waiting for the multi-modal transport study to be completed. M1 Varsity Lakes to Tugun construction timetable states a commencement date of 2020 with completion in 2023. This is due by the end of 2018 and I am monitoring the progress closely.

Light rail to Burleigh is a step closer with the announcement of \$112 million from the Federal Government.

Tugun Desal Plant



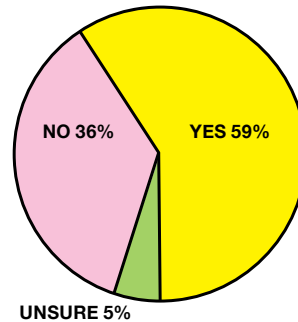
Residents continue to pay dearly for the Tugun Desalination Plant. The minister says it costs \$800 per megalitre yet in 2013 the figure was \$4881.

Given the plant only operated for 26 days in 2017/2018, I question the minister's figures and whether we are getting value for this \$1.2 billion facility which is costing over \$11 million to operate each year and tens of millions in interest repayments.

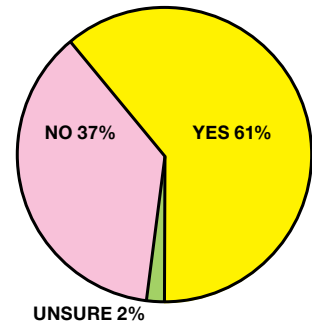
ELECTORATE SURVEY RESULTS

Thank you to the 2,500 residents who responded to my community survey. I appreciate that you took time to give me this feedback. It is a very time consuming exercise to collate and enter the data and my office is still in the process of doing that, however we do have results of the 3 questions.

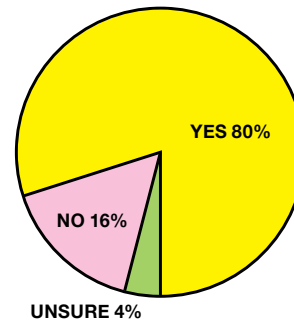
WOULD YOU USE PUBLIC TRANSPORT IF FARES WERE CHEAPER?



WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE DAYLIGHT SAVING IN QLD?



SHOULD QLD PARLIAMENT DEBATE LEGALLY-ASSISTED DYING LAWS?



PARLIAMENT

New Waste Levy

Labor's new tax starting on 4 March 2019 will undoubtedly hit families, individuals and small business in the hip pocket. Of the \$1.3 billion raised by this, less than \$1 in every \$10 raised from this tax will go towards environmental programs, instead going into Government coffers.

Child Sex Offender Legislation

Labor stopped the LNP from debating tough laws to protect Queenslanders from all violent sex offenders. The LNP proposed mandatory tracking of repeat sex offenders until they die and constant monitoring while Labor's bill relied on self-reporting and court probation orders for 5 years.

Termination of Pregnancy

Medical and surgical terminations removed from the criminal code in Qld. After much soul searching and numerous consultations with those for and against I voted for the bill. My nursing background and 40 year marriage to a GP assisted my decision. I recognise this is a highly emotive and divisive issue. My speech can be found on my website www.jannstuckey.com.au

Unions accessing school students

Numerous concerns have been raised with me about union members coming into schools and recruiting Year 11 & 12 students through the Worlds of Work program which is driven by Qld Council of Unions. A petition is being circulated, and I encourage all concerned to have your say.



Koala Update

Record numbers of injured wildlife are being brought in to Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary Hospital. Calls for a koala register have been ignored by the Environment Minister and the Minister for Transport has denied deaths occurred. Dawn to dusk speed reductions have also been dismissed.

Thanks to Councillor Gail O'Neill for the extra koala signage used during our peak koala breeding season. All motorists please watch out for our wildlife. I shall continue to lobby for wildlife protection and safety measures.



Gold Coast Trades College



Gold Coast Trades College were generously donated a bus from Beaudesert RSL which will not only assist with transporting students but provide an invaluable training tool for budding mechanics. Thanks to Surfside Bus Lines for their assistance in getting the bus fully operational.

Office Services

We can help you with

- Celebratory Messages
- Ministerial Representations
- Marquee hire for Schools & Community Groups
- Applications for JP's & Commissioner for Declarations
- Letters of Support
- Queensland Flags for Schools and non-profit organisations
- Community Group Grant Access Information
- Local Issues Petitions

Tour De Valley

Congratulations to Chris Thompson and his team for a bumper 7th Tour De Valley attracting 750 competitors. I was thrilled to present this year's King and Queen of the Valley to Steve Lane and Di Otley-Doe.



Bilinga SLSC 80th Birthday

Happy 80th Birthday Bilinga SLSC. It was great to join past and present members of Bilinga SLSC to celebrate the significant birthday and reflect on the club's support of the community over 8 decades. Established in 1938 after false starts and setbacks, this little club with a big heart continues to inspire and promote the spirit of vigilance and service through many hours of training and patrols. Hats off to the organising committee, members, and life members who all contributed to this memorable occasion.



President John Hamrey and club members at Bilinga's 80th

DO YOU HAVE AN EMAIL ADDRESS?

Emails are quickly becoming the more effective and timely form of communication. If we don't have your email on file please forward it to us at currumbin@parliament.qld.gov.au